



TOWN MEETING EDITION 2012

THE FREMONT NEWSLETTER

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TOWN & SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETINGS

The Town's Deliberative Session will be held at 7:00 pm on **Monday February 6, 2012** in the Ellis School Gymnasium. In case of inclement weather, the Town's Deliberative Session will be held on **Tuesday February 7, 2012** at 7:00 pm.

The School District's Deliberative Session will be held at 9:00 am on **Saturday February 4, 2012** in the Ellis School Gymnasium. In case of inclement weather, the School District's Deliberative Session will be held on **Saturday February 11, 2012** at 9:00 am.

Town Reports will be available for pickup at the Town Hall, Library, and Safety Complex by March 5, 2012. Be sure to get yours!

TOWN & SCHOOL ELECTIONS

The filing period for Town and School District Offices is open through Friday, February 3, 2012. On Friday February 3, 2012 the Town Clerk will be open special hours, for sign-ups only, from 3:00 to 5:00 pm. The School District Clerk will also be at the Town Hall during this final sign-up period on Friday February 3, 2012 from 3:00 to 5:00 pm.

TOWN POSITIONS OPEN in 2012

Selectman: 1 for 3 years
Road Agent: 1 for 3 years
Trustee of Trust Funds: 1 for 3 years
Library Trustee: 1 for 3 years
Moderator: 1 for 2 years
Supervisor of Checklist: 1 for 6 years
Budget Committee: 2 for 3 years
Cemetery Trustee: 1 for 3 years

SCHOOL DISTRICT POSITIONS OPEN in 2012

School Board Member: 2 for 3 years
School District Treasurer: 1 for 1 year
School District Clerk: 1 for 1 year
School District Moderator: 1 for 1 year

You must be a Fremont resident and a registered voter to declare Candidacy for Town Office. To complete the form, you can see the Town Clerk during regular office hours or see the School District Clerk, Sherri Ficker at the Ellis School, 432 Main Street between the hours of 7:30 am and 3:30 pm during the filing period. Election questions can be directed to the Town Clerk's Office at 895 8693.

The last day to register to vote for the Annual Town and School Elections (held on March 13) is Thursday March 1, 2012 with the Town Clerk; or Saturday March 3, 2012 from 11:00 to 11:30 am with the Supervisors of the Checklist who will meet at the Fremont Public Library.

TOWN OF FREMONT NH 2012 TOWN MEETING WARRANT

To the inhabitants of the Town of Fremont in the County of Rockingham in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:
PURSUANT TO RSA 40:13 II, THE FIRST SESSION OF THE 2012 TOWN MEETING (THE DELIBERATIVE SESSION) SHALL BE HELD ON MONDAY FEBRUARY 6, 2012 AT THE ELLIS SCHOOL AT 432 MAIN STREET IN FREMONT NEW HAMPSHIRE

BEGINNING AT 7:00 PM. THE SNOW DATE FOR THIS SESSION IS TUESDAY FEBRUARY 7, 2012 BEGINNING AT 7:00 PM AT THE ELLIS SCHOOL.

THE SECOND SESSION (VOTING SESSION) SHALL BE HELD ON TUESDAY MARCH 13, 2012 AT THE ELLIS SCHOOL AT 432 MAIN STREET IN FREMONT NEW HAMPSHIRE WITH POLLS OPEN FROM 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM.

ALL ARTICLES WILL BE VOTED UPON BY OFFICIAL BALLOT WITH ANY AMENDMENTS AS MADE AT THE DELIBERATIVE SESSION.

ARTICLE 1: To choose by ballot all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 2: Are you in favor of amending ARTICLE IV-A of the Fremont Zoning Ordinance (In-Law Accessory Apartments) as follows:

1. Delete the second portion of the sentence in section G; "Any new entrances shall be located on the side or rear of the building ~~and shall be at ground level~~".

The Planning Board recommends this article.

2. Delete section H in its entirety; "~~All in-law/accessory apartments shall have accessible entrances and shall conform to dwelling unit Type-B construction, as specified in the International Residential Code (IRC).~~"

The Planning Board recommends this article.

ARTICLE 3: Are you in favor of amending Article XI -E; 4 (d) of the Fremont Zoning Ordinance (Aquifer Protection District) by adding "except for propane and natural gas".

The Planning Board recommends this article.

ARTICLE 4: Are you in favor of amending Article XIX, 1.3-C of the Fremont Zoning Ordinance (Signs) - "For Sale Signs" by adding "~~and do not exceed six (6) square feet in size~~".

The Planning Board recommends this article.

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a long-term lease/purchase agreement to purchase a new Fire Truck at a cost of four hundred sixty-nine thousand six hundred twenty-eight dollars (\$469,628) and further to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred twenty five thousand dollars (\$125,000) and authorize the withdrawal of one hundred twenty-five thousand dollars (\$125,000) from the Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund for a down payment to lower the agreement amount to three hundred forty-four thousand six hundred twenty-eight dollars (\$344,628) payable over a term of five (5) years. The agreement does not contain an escape clause.

The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0.

The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 7-0. (3/5 ballot vote required)

There is no amount to be raised from taxation for this article. Tax impacts will begin in 2013 with the annual payment.

ARTICLE 6: Shall the Town of Fremont raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$2,563,725? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$2,537,577 which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Fremont or by law or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only.
Note: This operating budget warrant article does not include appropriations contained in ANY other warrant articles.

**The Selectmen do not recommend this appropriation 3-0.
The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 7-0.
(Majority vote required).**

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of Bridge Construction and Reconstruction, to appoint the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from said Fund, and to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to be placed in this Fund. This sum to come from fund balance (surplus) and no amount to be raised from taxation.

**The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0.
The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 5-1.
(Majority vote required)**

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twelve thousand five hundred dollars (\$12,500) to be placed in the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund. This sum to come from fund balance (surplus) and no amount to be raised from taxation.

**The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0.
The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 5-1.
(Majority vote required)**

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be placed in the Town Hall Renovations Capital Reserve Fund. This sum to come from fund balance (surplus) and no amount to be raised from taxation.

**The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0.
The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 5-1.
(Majority vote required).**

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) to be placed in the Property Reassessment Capital Reserve Fund.

**The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0.
The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 7-0.
(Majority vote required).**

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) to be placed in the Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund.

**The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0.
The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 6-1.
(Majority vote required).**

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) to be placed in the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund.

**The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0.
The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 6-1.**

(Majority vote required).

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) to purchase and equip a Police vehicle to be used as a Detective car for the Police Department; and further to authorize the withdrawal of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) from the Police Capital Reserve Fund created for this purpose.

**The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0.
The Budget Committee does not recommend this appropriation 6-1. (Majority vote required).**

There is no amount to be raised from taxation for this article.

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of six thousand three hundred eighty-five dollars (\$6,385) for the purchase of OHRV equipment; and further to authorize the withdrawal of six thousand three hundred eighty-five dollars (\$6,385) from the OHRV Special Revenue Fund created for this purpose.

**The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0.
The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 6-1.
(Majority vote required).**

There is no amount to be raised from taxation for this article.

ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of forty-nine thousand five hundred fifty dollars (\$49,550) to continue the Public Health Mosquito Control Program.

**The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0.
The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 6-0.
(Majority vote required).**

ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of six hundred dollars (\$600) to fund an increase in the Treasurer's Annual Stipend. (Current stipend of \$6,000 is included in the Town's operating budget).

**The Selectmen do not recommend this appropriation 3-0.
The Budget Committee does not recommend this appropriation 5-1. (Majority vote required).**

ARTICLE 17: To see if the Town will vote to establish an expendable trust fund under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a, to be known as the 250th Celebration Expendable Trust Fund for the purpose of funding the 250th anniversary celebration to be held in 2014 and to raise and appropriate ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be placed in this fund and further to name the Selectmen as agents to expend.

**The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0.
The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 6-0.
(Majority vote required).**

ARTICLE 18: To see if the Town will vote to adopt a Conflict of Interest Ordinance as follows:

CONFLICT OF INTEREST ORDINANCE

SECTION I: PURPOSE

Pursuant to RSA 31:39-(a), the activities of all officers, or employees of the Town, whether elected or appointed, shall be regulated as follows:

SECTION II: DEFINITIONS

Conflict of Interest shall be defined as a financial, pecuniary or other interest in any official vote, or any other action, transaction or activity undertaken by the Town or its officers, or the Boards or Commissions, which would result in a benefit to such officer or employee not shared by the public in general. The term "pecuniary interest" shall include gifts or consideration in the form of favors,

money or services, or the receipt of anything of value whether present or future. The term "activity" shall include any hearing, debate, discussion or official Board vote.

SECTION III: PROHIBITED ACTIVITY

No officer or employee of the Town shall engage in or participate in any Conflict of Interest as defined under Section II above.

SECTION IV: DISCLOSURE

All officers and employees of the Town shall disclose any potential or actual financial or other interest in any business, contract, public proceeding or transaction which involves the Town or any of its agencies. Such disclosure shall be made in writing to the Board of Selectmen.

SECTION V: CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

No officer or employee shall disclose any confidential information regarding any other official, employee or member of any Board or Commission. The term "confidential information" shall mean any information, material date or thing which is not available to the public under the Right to Know Laws of the State of New Hampshire.

SECTION VI: EXEMPTIONS

This Ordinance shall not apply to election contributions given to any person running for public office.

SECTION VII: EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall not apply to any presently elected officer or appointed officer or employee of the Town for a period of forty-five (45) days from the date of the enactment of the Ordinance.

SECTION VIII: ENFORCEMENT

Any officer or employee subject to the provisions of this Ordinance shall be subject to removal proceedings before the Superior Court, as provided in RSA 31:39-a.

The Selectmen recommend this article 3-0.

**The Budget Committee recommends this article 5-2.
(Majority vote required).**

ARTICLE 19: Pursuant to RSA 41:45-a, are you in favor of having the office of Town Clerk combined with the office of Tax Collector, thereby creating a new office of Town Clerk-Tax Collector to be held by one individual, with a term of 3 years?

The Selectmen recommend this article 3-0.

**The Budget Committee recommends this article 7-0.
(Majority ballot vote required).**

If approved, an article shall be placed on the ballot at the next annual meeting to choose a Town Clerk-Tax Collector.

ARTICLE 20: To see if the Town will vote to appoint the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from the Highway Building Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 1993.

The Selectmen recommend this article 3-0.

**The Budget Committee recommends this article 6-1.
(Majority vote required).**

Given under our hands and seal this 19th day of January in the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand and Twelve.

Brett A Hunter
Greta St Germain
Annmarie Scribner

Selectmen ~ Town of Fremont New Hampshire

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FREMONT SNOW-SHOE HIKE

The Fremont Conservation Commission will hold a snow shoe hike in the Glen Oakes Town Forest on Saturday, February 11th. The hike will leave from the parking area on Andreski Drive at 1 pm! Conditions permitting, we will explore some of the lesser known, outer reaches of Glen Oakes.

Glen Oakes has over 2.5 miles of well marked hiking trails, and winter is a great time to check it out. So grab your snowshoes, dress for the weather, and come join us on the 11th!

If there is insufficient snow for snowshoes, we will still hold a winter hike. For complete directions to Glen Oakes, see the Fremont Town Website at www.fremont.nh.gov and go to the Conservation Commission page. For more information send email to FremontPZ@comcast.net or call 895-3200 x 17.

FUTURE NEWSLETTERS

The 2012 budget proposal includes printed newsletters to be sent out quarterly. The Town still plans to prepare a newsletter, which will be placed on the website. With the new website, we also plan to set up a list-serve type subscription service. Please watch for more details in the coming months so you can sign up to receive information through the new website.

DOG LICENSE REMINDER

2012 dog license tags are available. A current rabies certificate is required for licensing your dog(s) as the Clerk's Office is required by law to retain a copy of the vaccination certificate. Please call the office to inquire if the rabies certificate on file is still valid. You must license your dog(s) by April 30th to prevent the initiation of a late penalty of \$1.00 per month. As required by RSA 466:1, all dogs must be licensed each year by April 30th. For your convenience, the license(s) can be mailed for an additional fee of \$1.00 per license, or you can license your dog(s) online by going to the Town Clerk page on the Town's website at www.Fremont.nh.gov and click E-Dog. If you no longer have your dog, please contact the Clerk's office at 895-8693 so we can update our records accordingly.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Selectmen will hold a public hearing at the Fremont Town Hall in the basement meeting room on February 16, 2012 at 7:30 pm in accord with NH RSA 33:8-a to discuss the long-term lease / purchase of a fire truck. The public is welcome to attend.

TRUCK FOR SALE BY SEALED BID

The Town of Fremont is selling by sealed bid, an older model former Emergency Management vehicle no longer needed by the Town. The vehicle is a 1954 Dodge Weapons Carrier, GWV 6,000; pickup body style, ¾ ton, gas engine, 6 cylinder. Current odometer reading 26,109.

Any emergency equipment will be removed from the vehicle. Vehicle to be sold as is, with no warranty or guarantee (except for removal of all emergency equipment.) Vehicle has not been recently inspected and may or may not be roadworthy.

Bids should be submitted in a sealed opaque envelope clearly marked "CIVIL DEFENSE TRUCK BID" to the Fremont Selectmen's Office no later than 4:00 pm on Wednesday February 29, 2012. Bids will be opened publicly at the next available Selectmen's Meeting.

Vehicle can be viewed by appointment only with a Town representative. To schedule an appointment, contact Jeanne Nygren at the Selectmen's Office at 603 895 2226 x 11. Vehicle currently housed at the Fremont Town Hall, rear garage.

The Town reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids as is deemed in the best interest of the Town of Fremont.

Town Hall Office Hours

Tel: 895 2226 ~ Fax: 895 3149

Selectmen's Office VM 10,11

Mon & Fri 8:30 am to 12 noon

Tues & Wed 8:30 am to 4:00 pm

Thurs 11:00 am to 5:00 pm

FremontTA@comcast.net

FremontTownHall@comcast.net

Tax Collector 895 3200 X 14

Thursday 11:00 am to 2:00 pm

FremontTax@comcast.net

Town Clerk 895 8693 VM 15,16

Mon, Tues & Wed 8:00 am to 3:00 pm

Thurs 10:00 am to 7:00 pm

Closed Friday

FremontClerk@comcast.net

Bldg & Planning 895 3200**Building Inspector VM 18**

Tues & Thurs 8:30 to 10:00 am; 1:00

to 4:30 pm; Weds eves 5:00 to 7:00

pm and by appointment

FremontBI@comcast.net

Planning & Zoning VM 17

Tues, Weds, Thurs 8:30 am to 12:30

pm; Tues 1:00 - 4:30 pm

FremontPZ@comcast.net

Health

Bob Meade 895 3200 x 18

Welfare by appt 895 3200 x 12

Town & Department Contacts

Police Department 895 2229

Fax 895 1116

Mon – Fri 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

police@fremontnhpd.com

EMERGENCY dial 9 1 1

Fire Rescue Business 895 9634

Office Hours M/Th 5:00 to 7:00 pm

Raymond Disp 895 4222 Non-Emerg

Highway Dept - Road Agent

Mark Pitkin 300 7429

Fremont Public Library

Tel 895 9543 ~ Fax 895 0549

Tues & Thurs 1:00 to 8:00 pm

Wed & Fri 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Sat 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

www.fremontpubliclibrary.org

Food Pantry Kathy 895 1162

Stephanie 895 4454

Ellis School 895 2511 sau83.org

432 Main Street

SAU # 83 895 6903 Fax 895 6905

5 Hall Road Suite 1 Fremont NH

Post Office 895 2094

Mon - Fri 8:30 - 11:30 am / 12:30 -

4:30 pm Sat 8:30 to 11:00 am

FAA fremontathletics@yahoo.com

**Trash Pickup & Recycling – Waste
Management of NH - 800 847 5303**

MEETING SCHEDULE**Town Hall – Main Floor**

Parks & Recreation 7:00 pm

Mar 13 Apr 10

Open Space May 8 7:00 pm

Energy Comm Feb 21 8:00 pm

250th Comm Feb 22 6:00 pm

Mar 21 Apr 25

Town Hall - Basement Mtg Room

Cemetery Trustees 3:30 pm

Apr 2

Conservation Comm 7:00 pm

Mar 5 Apr 2

Planning Board 7:00 pm

Mar 7, 21 Apr 4, 18

Selectmen 6:00 pm

Feb 23 Mar 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

Zoning Board 7:30 pm

Feb 28 Mar 27

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Fremont Public Library

Library Trustees 4th Weds 7:00 pm

Supervisors of Checklist 7:00 - 7:30

pm Mar 6 and 11-11:30 am on Mar 3

Friends of Library 1st Tues 7:00 pm

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FEB 28 AND MAR 27

Garden Club 4th Tuesday 7:00 pm

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*Deadline for submittal is the 15th of each month for publication in the following month. No opinion pieces
will be accepted. Submissions may be edited for clarity and/or due to space constraints.*